

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

**Case No.: 2:12-CR-155 (1)
JUDGE SMITH**

GERARDO CONTRERAS-GAMA,

Defendant.

*Date of Original Judgment:
October 4, 2013*

ORDER

This matter is before the Court on the Defendant's Motion to Reduce Sentence, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3582(c)(2), in an "Agreed Disposition Case." (Doc. 176). Defendant was originally sentenced on September 25, 2013 to 70 months imprisonment for conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute over 1,000 grams or more of heroin. Defendant's advisory sentencing guideline range was 108 to 135 months, based on an offense level 31 and criminal history category I.

On November 1, 2014, the United States Sentencing Commission promulgated Guideline Amendment 782, which reduced by two levels the offense levels assigned to the drug quantities set forth in §2D1.1 of the United States Sentencing Guidelines, as well as parallel changes for the listed chemicals found in §2D1.11. Defendants who are currently imprisoned for these drug offenses are eligible for retroactive application of the guidelines as long as they meet certain eligibility criteria.

The parties agree that the Defendant meets the Sentencing Commission's eligibility requirements for the retroactive application of Amendment 782 to his case. After considering the original guideline range, the extent of any downward departure, the circumstances of Defendant's case, and his behavior while incarcerated, the parties jointly recommend a reduction

of Defendant's sentence to a term of incarceration of 57 months.

Whether to grant a reduction of sentence pursuant to §3582(c)(2) is within the discretion of the court. *United States v. Ursery*, 109 F.3d 1129, 1137 (6th Cir. 1997). In considering whether a reduced sentence is appropriate, this court must consider the factors in 18 U.S.C. §3553(a) to the extent that they are applicable. *See* §3582(c)(2).

Upon consideration of Defendant's motion, the statutory sentencing factors set forth in §3553(a), and the joint recommendation of the parties, the Court concludes that a reduction of Defendant's term of incarceration is appropriate in light of the reduction in the applicable guideline range. The sentence of 70 months incarceration previously imposed in this case is hereby reduced to a term of incarceration of 57 months. Under Amendment 782, Defendant's release date shall be no earlier than November 1, 2015. Except as provided above, all other provisions of the judgment previously entered in this case shall remain in effect.

The Clerk shall remove Document 176 from the Court's pending motion's list.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/ George C. Smith
GEORGE C. SMITH, JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

Order Date: March 4, 2015

Effective Date: November 1, 2015